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In re Patent Application of:
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MODIFIED PEPTIDE BASED
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (the "PTO") on July 15, 2010 in connection with this application and pursuant to Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following Amendments and consider the accompanying Remarks. Applicants are submitting, concurrently with this response, new Terminal Disclaimers over each of the cited prior U.S. Patent Nos. 7,084,245; 7,414,105 and 7,528,104 that are compliant with the signatory requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b)(1)(iv).¹

It is believed that no extensions of time are required and that no fees are due for this Response. However, should the PTO determine that any extension of time is required then Applicants respectfully request that this document also be considered as a Petition for the required extension(s) of time and that the required extension(s) be granted. Likewise, should the

¹ These terminal disclaimers are not accompanied by the terminal disclaimer fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), since it is understood that those fees were already paid in connection with the rejected terminal disclaimers filed on March 1, 2010 for this application. However, should the PTO determine that additional terminal disclaimer fees are now required, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required terminal disclaimer fees to Deposit Account No. 06-1050 of Applicants' undersigned representatives.

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PTO determine that any fee is due or that any refund is owed for this application, then the Commissioner is authorized and requested to charge the fee(s) due (including any required extension of time fee[s]) and/or credit the refund(s) owed to Deposit Account No. 06-1050 of Applicants' undersigned representatives.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Claim Listing, which begins on page 3 of this document. The claim listing provides a complete listing of all the claims ever presented in this application, with markings to indicate Applicants' proposed amendments, and replaces all prior versions and listing of claims in this application.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 10 of this document.